

I think it would be improper for the FCC to further deregulate ownership in local media markets. This would result in further concentration of ownership and lack of local control, and a decrease in diversity of cultural, social and political outlook. As such, it would be contrary to the public interest.

Since the public owns the means of communication (the spectrum) in common, the FCC must make the public's interest paramount in its decisions.

Based on comment received during the recent hearing at the University of Washington, the public is overwhelmingly opposed to allowing this increased concentration. We jealously guard our rights to regulate the bodies - private and public - that we allow to use our airwaves.